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Antiaircraft Batteries in Plovdiv

1. antiaircraft batteries in Plovdiv as follows:
 - a. In the vicinity of the Zakharna Fabrika (Sugar Factory), where there are "many" guns; and
 - b. In the vicinity of the barracks of the unidentified tank unit, located near the prison, on the right side of the Maritsa River.
2. antiaircraft batteries at Graf Ignatiev, Kaloyanovo (N 42-21, E 24-44), and Asenovgrad. With regard to the antiaircraft batteries at Asenovgrad about mid-March 1954 they opened fire about 1:00 a.m. against aircraft of unidentified nationality which were flying over the city. Several shell fragments were found in Asenovgrad.
3. Since May 1954 searchlight beams have been observed scanning nearly nightly the sky over Plovdiv.

Plovdiv Airfield

4. The airfield of Plovdiv is located approximately 12 (sic) kilometers from the city, on the left side of the road to Asenovgrad. This is a very well equipped field from which even MIG-15s (FALCONS) take off. There are underground hangars at this airfield.

Air Specialists School in Kazanluk

5. Students attending the four-year course given at the Air Specialists School (Voenno Aeroplanno Uchilishte) in Kazanluk are given a mechanical or technical specialist rating upon graduation. The students are volunteers chosen among the military contingents assigned to the Air Force. this was a school for drivers, radar operators, and technicians, all of whom are noncommissioned officers.

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